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Bloomin' Brands, Inc. Political Action Committee September 22, 2014

Federal Election Commission Washington, DC 20463

Identification Number: C00253153

Reference: July Monthly Report (06/01/2014 - 06/30/2014)

Dear Brian Jones:

This letter is in response to your notice of excessive contributions dated August 18, 2014 with a response due date of 09/22/2014.

Our contribution to Friends of Dick Durbin was designated for the 2014 Primary election in error. The committee has submitted to us a refund check (copy attached). This refund will be included in October's monthly report, since we received and deposited in September.

Our contributions to the listed committees below on 6/24/14 were designated for the 2014 Primary election in error, instead of the 2014 General election. These committees have agreed to redesignate from Primary to General and amend their reporting (written communication attached). We will redesignate on our side as well and disclose on Schedule B in our October monthly report.

- Fitzpatrick for Congress \$2,000.00
- Friends of John Barrow \$2,000.00
- Hudson for Congress \$2,000.00
- Mulvaney for Congress \$2,000.00
- Roskam for Congress Committee \$2,000.00
- Walorski for Congress Inc \$2,000.00
- Cory Gardner for Senate \$2,500.00

This serves as written notification of our corrective action. Please let us know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely

Joseph J. Kadow

Treasurer

Bloomin' Brands, Inc. Political Action Committee

Enclosure

P.O. BOX 1949 SPRINGFIELD, IL 62705

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8/20/2014

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

Bloomin'Brands Inc. PAC

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Bloomin'Brands Inc. PAC 2202 N. West Shore Blvd. Tampa, FL 33607

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FRIENDS OF DICK DURBIN COMMITTEE

Bloomin'Brands Inc. PAC

Refund of contribution

8/20/2014

5,000.00

Bank One Checking

Refund of contribution

5,000.00

RE: Fitzpatrick for Congress

To: Andrea Brown; Wendy Gilley-Tolle

Cc: Cathie Koch

Subject: FW: Fitzpatrick for Congress Re-Designation

Below is confirmation that the Fitzpatrick redesignation was done. Can you confirm on our end that it shows it has been redesignated?

From: Laura Engquist [mailto:lengquist@campaignfinancial.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 2:24 PM

To: Sarah Bell

Subject: RE: Fitzpatrick for Congress Re-Designation

Hi Sarah,

We did report the contribution as designated to the General, reflected on our July Quarterly report (below):

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В.	Full Name (Last, First, Middle (nittel) Bloomin' Brands, Inc. PAC	Date of Receipt		
	Mailing Address 2202 North West Shore Bou	06 24 2014		
	City Tampa	State Zip Code FL 33607	Transaction ID : A-CF15354	
	FEC ID number of contributing federal political committee.	C c00253153	Amount of Each Receipt this Period	
	Name of Employer	Occupation	2000	
	Receipt For: 2014 Primary General Other (specify)	Election Cyclo-to-Date 2000		

Please let me know if you have any questions about how you all need to report the change, thanks!

Laura M. Engquist Campaign Financial Services 301.654.3220 301.656.8343(f) 4905 Del Ray Avenue Suite 401 Bethesda, MD 20814

From: Sarah Bell [mailto:SarahBell@BloominBrands.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 2:10 PM

To: 'Laura Engquist'

Subject: RE: Fitzpatrick for Congress Re-Designation

Laura,

I wanted to confirm that our \$2000 contribution was redesgniated from the primary to the general per our email conversation in July. We received notice a few weeks ago that looks like this redesignation has not occurred.

Thank you.

Andrea Brown

RE: Friends of John Barrow

From:

Sarah Bell

Sent:

Monday, September 22, 2014 2:29 PM

To:

Andrea Brown

Subject:

FW: Bloomin Brands for Rep. Barrow

Barrow email request.

From: Sarah Bell

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 2:23 PM

To: 'sofia@barrowforcongress.com' Cc: 'khalil@salibastrategies.com'

Subject: RE: Bloomin Brands for Rep. Barrow

Sofia,

I wanted to confirm that our \$2000 contribution was redesgniated from the primary to the general per our email conversation in July. We received notice a few weeks ago that looks like this redesignation has not occurred.

Thank you.

Sarah Bell

Senior Executive Assistant to Joe Kadow & Cathie Koch

Bloomin' Brands

2202 N. West Shore Blvd, Suite 500

Tampa, FI 33607 Direct: 813-830-5442 Fax: 813-387-8033



From: Sarah Bell

Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2014 10:56 AM

To: 'sofia@barrowforcongress.com' Cc: 'khalil@salibastrategies.com'

Subject: RE: Bloomin Brands for Rep. Barrow

Sofia,

Please redesignate the Bloomin Brands PAC check for the General election.

Thank you.

Sarah Bell

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From: khalil@salibastrategies.com [mailto:khalil@salibastrategies.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2014 10:55 AM

To: Sarah Bell

Subject: Fw: Bloomin Brands for Rep. Barrow

Hi Sarah -

Can you send Sofia an email re designating the PAC check for the "general" election?

Thanks!

Karl

Khalil G. Saliba Saliba Action Strategies LLC 202-262-8441 www.salibaactionstrategies.com

"Good things come to those who wait, but only what's left over from those who hustle"

From: Sofia Fox < sofia@barrowforcongress.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 9, 2014 10:14 AM

To: khalil@salibastrategies.com

Reply To: Sofia Fox

Subject: Bloomin Brands for Rep. Barrow

Hi Khalil,

We received a check in the mail from Bloomin Brands, but it was designated for the primary, and we are now in the general. Can you or someone from Bloomin send me an email stating that we should go ahead and re-designate the contribution for the general.

Andrea Brown

RE: Hudson for Congress

From:

Sarah Bell

Sent:

Thursday, September 18, 2014 11:57 AM

To: Cc: Andrea Brown
Cathie Koch

Subject:

FW: Redesignate Contribution check

From: Krystal Kocher [mailto:krystal@richardhudsonforcongress.com]

Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 12:12 PM

To: Sarah Bell

Cc: Ashlee Reid Morehouse; Richard Hudson **Subject:** Re: Redesignate Contribution check

Hi Sara,

Yes--This has been redesignated from P14 to G14.

Thanks!

On Fri, Sep 12, 2014 at 12:34 PM, Richard Hudson < richard@richardhudsonforcongress.com > wrote:

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Sarah Bell < Sarah Bell @bloominbrands.com >

Date: Fri, Sep 12, 2014 at 10:55 AM Subject: Redesignate Contribution check

To: "richard@richardhudsonforcongress.com" < richard@richardhudsonforcongress.com>

Please redesignate the Bloomin' Brands Inc PAC check (#1084) dated June 24, 2014 in the amount of \$2000 from the primary to the general.

Please send confirmation once this has been completed.

Thank you.

Sarah Bell

Senior Executive Assistant to Joe Kadow & Cathie Koch

Bloomin' Brands

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RE: Mulvaney for Congress

Andrea Brown

From:

Sarah Bell

Sent:

Monday, September 22, 2014 2:29 PM

To:

Andrea Brown

Subject:

FW: Redesignate Contribution check

Mulvaney request.

From: Eric Bedingfield [mailto:voteericbedingfield@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 1:12 PM

To: Lisa Lisker

Cc: Sarah Bell; eric@mulvaneyforcongress.com **Subject:** Re: Redesignate Contribution check

Sara,

Our compliance folks have already re designated that donation.

Thank you,

Eric Bedingfield Campaign Manager Mulvaney for Congress 1-864-230-7044

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 18, 2014, at 1:08 PM, Lisa Lisker < LLisker@hdafec.com> wrote:

We already reported this as being for the general—no further action required on our end

Lisa

From: Eric Bedingfield [mailto:voteericbedingfield@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 12:09 PM **To:** Sarah Bell; Lisa Lisker; Lisa Lisker - Verizon

Cc: eric@mulvaneyforcongress.com

Subject: Re: Redesignate Contribution check

Lisa, see below email and please tell me what we need to do to respond.

Thank you,

Eric

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 18, 2014, at 11:53 AM, Sarah Bell < Sarah Bell @Bloomin Brands.com > wrote:

Andrea Brown

RE: Roskam for Congress Committee

From:

Sarah Bell

Monday, September 22, 2014 2:30 PM

Sent: To:

Andrea Brown

Subject:

FW: Redesignate Contribution check

Importance:

High

Roskam request.

From: Sarah Bell

Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 11:54 AM

To: 'info@roskamforcongress.com'

Subject: RE: Redesignate Contribution check

Importance: High

I was just following up on the below request. Action and response are due per the FEC by 9/22/14.

Thank you.

Sarah Bell

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From: Sarah Bell

Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 10:58 AM

To: 'info@roskamforcongress.com'

Subject: Redesignate Contribution check

Importance: High

Please redesignate the Bloomin' Brands Inc PAC check (#1078) dated June 24, 2014 in the amount of \$2000 from the primary to the general.

Please send confirmation once this has been completed.

Thank you.

Sarah Bell

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Walorski for Congress Inc.

Andrea Brown

From: Sent:

Sarah Bell

Thursday, September 18, 2014 11:57 AM

To: Cc:

Andrea Brown

Subject:

Cathie Koch FW: Walorski Check

From: emily.standwithjackie@qmail.com [mailto:emily.standwithjackie@qmail.com] On Behalf Of Emily Daniels

Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 11:46 AM

To: Sarah Bell

Subject: Walorski Check

Hello-

Just saw your note. I've asked our treasurer to resolve this issue. I'll confirm once completed.

Below if my contact formation in case you need to follow up directly.

Emily Daniels

Deputy Campaign Manager/Finance Director | Walorski for Congress (IN-2) Emily@standwithjackie.com | 574-536-6559

<u>JackieWalorski.com</u> | <u>Facebook</u> | <u>@JackieWalorski</u>

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to the general.

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5442 SARAHBELL@BLOOMINBRANDS.COM

(813)830-

Please redesignate the Bloomin' Brands Inc PAC check (#1080) dated June 24, 2014 in the amount of \$2000 from the primary

Please send confirmation once this has been completed.

RE: Cory Gardner for Senate

Andrea Brown

From:

Carli Gargagliano

Sent: To: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 5:26 PM Andrea Brown; Wendy Gilley-Tolle

Subject:

FW: Redesignate PAC check- Cory Gardner

Importance:

High

FY1...

From: Sarah Bell

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 4:04 PM

To: 'sgordon@stevegordon.com'

Cc: Cathie Koch; Khalil Saliba; Carli Gargagliano **Subject:** Redesignate PAC check Cory Gardner

Importance: High

Steve,

Please redesignate the June 12, 2014 Bloomin' Brands \$2500 check from the primary to the general.

Thank you.

Sarah Bell

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August 18, 2014

MR. JOSEPH J. KADOW, TREASURER BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC. POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE 2202 N. WESTSHORE BLVD., 5TH FLOOR TAMPA, FL 33607

Response Due Date 09/22/2014

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00253153

REFERENCE: JULY MONTHLY REPORT (06/01/2014 - 06/30/2014)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 3 item(s):

1. Schedule B supporting Line 23 discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2014 Primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (see attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign. (11 CFR §§110.1(b)(3) and 110.2(b)(3))

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If the contribution(s) in question should have been designated for debt retirement, you should amend your report to indicate "debt retirement," along with the year of election.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund. (11 CFR §103.3(b) (1) and (3))

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Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating

BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC. POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE Page 3 of 3

the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

3. Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. Contributions to federal candidates and other political committees should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your filings. (2 U.S.C § 434(b) and FORM 3X Instructions) Further, please amend your report to disclose these contributions on the proper line.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1177.

Sincerely,

Brian Jones

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

Reports Analysis Division

Excessive and Impermissible Contributions Bloomin' Brands, Inc. Political Action Committee (C00253153)

Contributions Made After Election Date

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Election (State-Date)
Fitzpatrick For Congress	6/24/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	PA - 5/20/14
Friends Of Dick Durbin	6/25/14	\$5,000.00	P2014	IL - 3/18/14
Friends Of John Barrow	6/24/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	GA - 5/20/14
Hudson For Congress	6/24/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	NC - 5/6/14
Mulvaney For Congress	6/24/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	SC - 6/10/14
Roskam For Congress Committee	6/24/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	IL - 3/18/14
Walorski For Congress Inc	6/24/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	IN - 5/6/14

Excessive Contributions to a Committee/Candidate Committee

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report
Gardner For Congress	6/6/13	\$2,000.00	P2014	2013 July Monthly
				2014 May
Cory Gardner For Senate	4/29/14	\$2,500.00	P2014	Monthly
Cory Gardner For Senate	6/12/14	\$2,500.00	P2014	2014 July Monthly
Friends of Dick Durbin Committee	6/17/09	\$5,000.00	*P2014	2009 July Monthly
Friends of Dick Durbin	6/25/14	\$5,000.00	P2014	2014 July Monthly

^{*}Schedule B of your report discloses this contribution as designated to the 2010 Primary election; however, this candidate did not participate in a Primary election in 2010. Therefore, this contribution has been attributed to the next scheduled Federal election for this candidate, the 2014 Primary (11 CFR §110.2(b)(ii)).





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